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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--However, there exist problems shown below in the conventional screw-on structure. The foregoing conventional screw-on structure has a problem that the screw comes loose when external force such as vibration and impact is applied to the screw-on structure, which is fastened to each other by the screw 3. This problem is conspicuous with the mobile equipment such as the cellular phone because vibration and impact are constantly applied to the equipment. For this reason, the screw must be fixed by adding a part such as a spring washer or a method such as coating adhesive agent.—

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--The screw-on structure according to the present invention comprises: the plastic frame having the through hole; the frame where the screw hole is formed; the screw that is inserted into the through hole to be screwed down the screw hole and that fastens the plastic frame and the frame to each other; and ribs made of plastic provided on the inner surface of the through hole and protrude toward the center of the through hole to contact the shaft section of the screw.—

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Replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 10, with the following rewritten paragraph:



--Furthermore, in this embodiment, since the shape of the ribs 6b forms an arc, molding of the ribs is easier comparing to the first embodiment. In addition, the area where each of the ribs 6b contacts the shaft section 7 of the screw 3 is smaller comparing to the first embodiment. For this reason, the ribs 6b are easily deformed, which is greatly effective in absorbing the slippage between the central positions of the through hole § 25 and the screw hole 4. In the case where the outer diameter of the shaft section 7 of the screw 3 or the diameter of the virtual circle 10 has an error and the outer diameter d of the shaft section 7 is larger than the diameter of the circle 10, the ribs 6b are also greatly effective in absorbing the error. However, the screw-on structure according to the first embodiment is more effective in fixing the plastic frame 1 to the screw 3 and the frame 2 comparing to the screw-on structure of this embodiment.—